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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JULY 30, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action issued on July 30, 2002 in connection with the above identified application. A response to the Office Action is due on August 30, 2002. Accordingly, applicants hereby petition for a One-Month Extension of Time extending the date for response to September 30, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the Extension of Time fee.

Restriction Requirement

In the July 30, 2002 Office Action, the Examiner required applicants to restrict prosecution to one of three distinct inventions. Applicant hereby elects group I restricted to Claims 1-74, 100-102 and 104.

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Within group I, applicants elect species I drawn to Figures 1-10 for prosecution on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 1-7, 11-13, 15-22, 24-25, 34-36, 42-44, 46, 48, 50, 58-62 and 67-74 as reading upon species I of group I. Of these, Claims 1-7 and 11-13 are considered generic to all of the seven identified species.

If any additional fees are required to preserve the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fees to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 10, 2002